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THE COLLEGE STAR - A RESONANT VOICE

#### ... FINIS ...

This is the end, beautiful friend. This is the end, my only friend. The end of our elaborate plans. The end of everything that stands, the end.

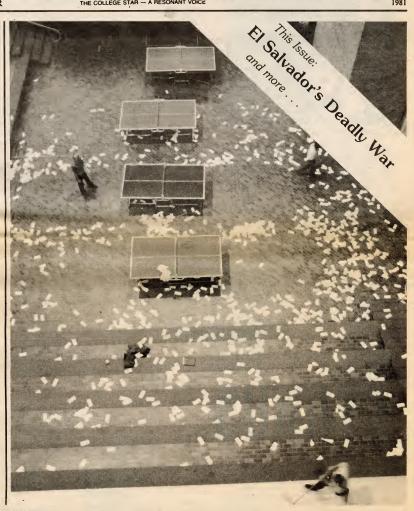
No safety or surprise, the end.
I'll never look into your eyes again.

Jim Morrison

Well, those long-awaited days of May are finally here and while we look forward to finally shedding the burden of schoolwork, a growing feeling of melancholy slowly creeps within us. For those who'll be returning in September, that feeling isn't really as painful as that tormenting those who'll have to leave these familiar halls and faces for full-time jobs. Naturally, there is a sense of excitement, of expec-tation, of discovery even, of what's ahead. But, as the final day draws closer and closer, there is insecurity and doubt — but most of all sadness. After all, you'd gotten used to this place and who can't help but be emotional on leaving it?

Suddenly, all those months you spent with friends in the Atrium, or poring over a com-Atrium, or poring over a com-puter programme, or cramming for exams, all seem dearer than you'd imagine. Yep, you're going to miss good ol' St. James, the cafeteria food (however bland it tastes) and GBFM (however mediocre it sounds) and the Dome (however d... hey way a minute! There's no "however"... the Dome's PERFECT! To think otherwise is blasphemous) and the teachers ... who could ever forget a Mr. Cook or a Mr. Rawlings or a Mr. Fraser ...?

It is a time of gentle contemplation. Remember the first naïve days, the settling in, the routine, and now graduation.
And thinking about it all, it seems as if part of us dies on leaving George Brown. It's a reminder, I guess, of the transcience of life: it'll be here...it's here...it's gone. And if you care to analyze it a little further, we can say that it's the death of our youth itself that we're mourning. After all, this is the end of formal education for ... continued on pg.1



#### THEY JUST FADE AWAY . . . .



GEORGE SZYMCZAK

and welcome to the May issue of Cygnus. If you haven't already guessed, from the change in format, the paper is under new editorship. George Szymczak has taken the route of a good pair of jeans. I would like to extend a warm personal thanks to George for initiating me into the mysterious rites of newspaper publishing. A dubious compliment if the new format meets with less than enthusiastic welcome. Thanks again, George.

Due to the evacuation of the campus during the summer months the content of the paper will require a slightly new direction. This will take the form of more entertainment, city survival hints, feature articles and less college related material Not to say there will be no college material, just less. Things will return to normal with the September issue. A permanent addition to the Cygnus format is the "Women's Section," conceived and edited by the new Co-Editor Ms. Judie L. Shore.

To the students leaving the campus for good, I wish you luck with your future careers. To those who return in September a good summer. As for the crazies couped up here for the duration all I can say is we'll try and make it a little less painful. Adieu.

alan coulson Editor

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## CYGNUS

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most students here, a phase which has occupied a major portion of our lives so far. And although we've thought of ourselves as adults for a long time, we could have rationalized brief recurrences of madness, for we had "school" as an excuse of our youth. But on graduation, no more . . . there'll be no prop for an alibi - we'll be expected to act mature. It's a sobering thought.

So excuse your friends if they seem just a little quieter these bittersweet days . . . they're merely reflecting these things, and although few like to admit it, everyone is going through the same pain. So we try to stop time, or at least slow it down a little, and suddenly, even casual acquaintances seem more precious. You tend to linger a little longer in conversation, you notice people a little more: the notice people a little more: the seemingly impenetrable little fidences and gossip bring out bursts of laughter; the guys who meet at unfailingly definite times to play ping pong; those peculiar people who are always in the library. Somehow you feel closer

#### Graduation

The weather on Friday, May 8, was wonderful. The sun was shinning and the temperature was high on the Celsius scale, the patio at the Sheraton Centre, with all its greenery and waterfalls, was the perfect setting for a postcard; you, in your best suit or dress, were the perfect subject.

The Graduation Dinner Dance was attended this year by 190 people, approximately 70 more than last year. The Civic Ballroom accommodated this group comfortably, leaving lots of room to walk between tables, and ample space on the dance

The awards presentation began an hour late, due to a misunderstanding between the hotel management and the co-ordinating committee, but thanks to a concerted effort by Mr. Adi Mistry, the presentation went quickly and smoothly, allowing dinner to be served on time at 8 o'clock. Guests for the evening were treated to soup, salad, and Coq au Vin. Wine was served at each table, followed by an ice cream cake and coffee. The in spirit to them all - you'd become accustomed to their place in your life, and they will be

And what about those secret feelings of admiration for that special someone who's near yet far, who seems above everyone else and yet you know you're being silly ... that he or she is just as normal and insecure as you are. You may have talked but you never had the courage to tell what you really felt, and no matter how many years pass by, your heart will always hold a special place for this person. For him (or her) it's also goodbye, but whispered silently

And the friends you made. Sure you'll keep in touch, and you mean it genuinely, until duty fogs up your priorities and the only time they'll cross your mind, is during some wintry evening on the subway, glassy eyes staring ahead and remembering . . . remembering . . . and suddenly some totally forgotten anecdote will come to your face. Gosh they were good days! If you could right now, you'd like to hug them all and tell them how much you loved being with them, and how much you learned, and how

#### Dinner Dance

banquet staff should be congratulated on the efficiency with which they served the four course meal

Soom after the dinner plates were cleared, the band, Glider, began their opening set, the first of three. The band had a very professional sound and well controlled volume. They played danceable, popular music for the most part. Anthony Archambeau, the evening's disc jockey filled in the band's breaks very well with Disco and slow tunes, causing the dance floor to be crowded from 9:30 to 1:00.

The cost of drinks at the bar, while rather high, did not seem to dampen the enthusiasm of most people, many of whom staggered out of the ballroom shortly after one.

I hope that everyone enjoyed the evening as much as I did, and keeps the Grad in mind for next year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the coordinating committee for their exceptional effort and persistence in organizing this year's Grad. Thanks Vera, Pat, Vince, and Kevin

much you're going to miss them . . . but it isn't necessary because they're all thinking the same way

about you. And the work; hopefully, you had a little difficulty in achieving the grades you got, because only by struggling do you gain a sense of accomplishment, self-reliance and self-respect. But regardless of everything else you may have learned and discarded, something your stay here has taught you that you won't forget is the learning how to accept and get along with other people. That's what education is all

So go ahead, spend a little more time doing things you had taken for granted, enjoy the ripples of laughter of friends, the warmth of a smile, the sound of a voice, and be thankful that you were able to know them all for they'll be a part of you for as long as you live. We at the Cygnus extend to

our readers and graduating friends happiness, health and success in all your future endeavours. Good bye.

Bernie Scala (dedicated to Maria Nesci)

#### and now a word from ...



Hi! I'm Rick Anderson and I'm running for . . . Oh yeah, that's right, the election is over . . . which is why I'm sitting down here attempting to compose a reasonably coherent column.

The first thing I'd like to do is to offer a huge "Thank-you" to all of you who supported me and took the time to vote. I've talked to so many people

over the last month, enough to realize that if I am to become a good social convenor, I'm going to have to hear from you often. It is my hope that people who have an idea for a good time will come and talk to me and help to bring it to reality. I cannot stress too heavily the importance of feedback (good and bad) from all sources. Without any input from you I cannot plan events with the amount of diversity that the students of St. James campus demand and deserve. I shall be working through the summer months to try and set up a good start to the year's events. With the help of the clubs I hope to present entertainment ranging from rock & roll to classical music, and everything in between. Thou shalt not live with pubs alone. With that in mind, I shall be on the lookout for ideas of a less alcohol-orientated nature as

So the next time you start thinking, "Gee, they neverdo..." come down to room 124 and talk to me. You will be heartily sur-prised to find an enthusiastic person receptive to your ideas. For those of you who are finishing, have a Happy Summer.

George Brown College Exciting energy being generated.

Chatter through hallways. Ordinary people Extra-ordinary people Ready people Going every which way people Eventually arriving Societies future backbone

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Suggesting the essence Todays Being Cultures combine People come forth Tomorrow in mind

THE GBFM STAFF

## \$\$\$\$ OSAP FUNDING INCREASED \$\$

Funding of the Ontario Student Assistance Program will increase by 16.4 per cent for 1981-82 to a total of \$98.2 million, Colleges and Universities Minister Dr. Bette Stephenson announced today. The amount is an increase of \$13.8 million over the last year.

Of the amount \$4.2 million has been set aside to meet the increased tuition fees for those who qualify for student assistance.

The Ontario Student Assistance Program is composed of four plans three of which are funded by the Ontario Government. Canada Student Loans, the fourth component of the program, is financed by the federal government through the Secretary of State. The three Ontario plans include the Ontario Study Grant Plan, the Ontario Student Loan Plan and the Ontario Special Bursary Plan. The Ontario Student Loan Plan was introduced in 1975 to assist students whose needs were not being met fully by Canada Student Loans.

The province expects to issue about \$25 million in Ontario Student Loans during 1981-82. Only \$1 million in loans was issued during 1977-78. Dr. Stephenson said that increased interest charges of the Ontario Student Loan Plan plus the fact that the federal government has not increased the loan maximum under the Canada Student Loan will cost OSAP \$6.2 million in

The Canada Student Loans Act, although amended recently by the federal government limits assistance to approximately \$1,800 per year to a student attending college or university for two terms (September to April). This maximum has not increased since 1974.

The personal and living allowance for single students living away from home will increase from \$72 to \$77 per week under Ontario's grant plan. The loan criteria will allow for an increase in the allowance to \$86 per week.

The maximum allowance for books and equipment will be increased by 20 per cent for both the grant and loan plans.

The maximum grant for independent single students will be increased from \$1,000 to \$1,100 per term or semester. Most students attend college or university for two terms each year so this will mean that such students will be eligible for up to \$2,200 in grants an increase of \$200 over previous years. Under the grant plan in-dependent single students are students who have worked for three years in the work force and are no longer expected to be receiving

parental support for post-secondary education costs.

Students will be expected to contribute more from savings. The minimum contribution from summer earnings will increase from \$50 to \$60 per week. Students who search for employment and are unable to locate a summer job or full employment during this period, can appeal this minimum. However, they will be required to document their employment search.

The Ontario Student Assistance Program assists over 82,000 students annually. Applications are now available from colleges and universities in Ontario, from Ontario secondary schools and from the Ontario Ministry of Colleges and Universities, Student Awards Branch, Queen's Park, Toronto, Ontario M7A 2B4 at telephone number (416) 965-5241.







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Sexual Harassment on the Job

The most common and leastdiscussed occupational health hazard for women is sexual harassment. At least once in their working lives, most women will be victims of unwelcome advances on the job.

Sexual harassment can range from leering, pinching, unnecessary physical contact and verbal abuse to the extreme of rape. In their book *The Secret* Oppression, Constance Backouse and Leah Cohen define sexual harassment as "any sexually-oriented practice that endangers a women's job, that undermines her job performance, and threatens her economic livelihood."

Surveys have shown that from 70 to 88% of working women have been victims of sexual harassment. It is shared by every job level and every occupation. Lawyers, factory workers, clerical staff and hospital workers all report cases of

sexual harassment.

It is the victim, not the harasser, who pays the price. In a major survey, 48% of women responding had been harassed until they quit or were fired, or they knew someone who had been. Few women reported the harassment officially and those that did were often dismissed, transferred to given poor personnel reports. It was rare for the harasser to be dismissed, moved or otherwise penalized.

For the women who are the victims of sexual harassment, the costs are high. Sexual harassment places women under severe emotional stress which cause psychological problems such as depression or physical symptoms such as insomnia, headaches or stomach upsets. Many women who refuse sexual advances on the job pay the price professionally in lost job opportunities or lost promotions. For the many women who are forced to leave the job to avoid the harassment, the financial losses are heavy: lost wages, pension benefits and fringe benefits such as medical coverage, life insurance or dental care.

The attitudes to the victims of sexual harassment explain why it is not taken seriously as an occupational problem. Rather than being seen as a victim of unwelcome abuse, the woman is assumed to have been willing or have encouraged the advances. She is made to feel that she could stop the harassment if she really wanted to, or she is accused of over-reacting or being vindictive. If the harassment is clearly documented, the harasser will often be excused on the ground that it was "an isolated incident."

Sexual harassment is not only a personal threat. It is also economic blackmail. The harassers are in a position to im-pose job-related reprisals on their victims. Refusing or complaining about sexual advances brings the threat or the fact of dismissal, demotion or poor job rcord. Sexual intimidation on the job forces most women into quitting to get away from the harassment.



Seminar, which was given by ROSEMARIE PEIKES, was held on March 5. We were pleased that we had a large turnout, because this was the last SASA seminar for this year. The SASA Club executive (Tanya Henderson, President; Edie Johnston, Vice-President; Rose Chensue, Treasurer; Lucy Karpa, Secretary) has enjoyed organizing these seminars for you. We have tried to centre them around topics which could benefit all of us when we leave George Brown.

Women's Bureau — Canadian Labour Congress, 2841 Riverside Drive, Ottawa, Ontario KIV 8X7, (613) 521-3400



#### WIT

The Womens Committee of St. James campus extends a very warm welcome to all women to drop into our space which is located at the main entrance on King Street to the left of the Placement Centre.

We are ready to celebrate our 2nd birthday on June 19th and are planning some interesting events at that time. Your participation and suggestions will be very much appreciated.

For those new to this campus and who might not be aware of our activities, we promote the following several times a year:

- 1. Courses in WEN-DO, selfdefense for women
- Courses in Assertiveness Training and Public Speaking
- Courses in Yoga, both begin-ners and intermediate 4. Noon hour seminars on topics

such as: Assertiveness Training, Women's Health, Women and the Law, Sexual Harrassment and Interviews.

and staff to educational and political seminars, which were pertinent to women's issues, held at other institutions.

Since one of our main thrusts is to provide an atmosphere in which women can meet to discuss issues and lend support and direction to each other, we are par ticularly anxious that women new on campus learn about our activities and feel free to visit ou space at any time. We are ope from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. eac

Drop in and have tea.

For more information on the legal rights of women contact:



Elaine Burns , YWCA.
"Networking" has been defined as organiz-

with women involved in similar job fields

experiences related to job searching, job

but not necessarily at the same workplace.
A "networking" association may be structured simply to provide a regular social context (i.e. informal gatherings), in which women may share information about their similar

opportunities, job promotion, and problems of sexual discrimination.

"Networking does not necessarily mean a formalized union. Both unions and associations

ing for the purposes of making contact

## HOW TO HANDLE THE OFFICE LECHER

There's a legal remedy if you're being bothered by the quick grope or the elevator fumble, a barrage of dirty jokes or any other form of sexual harassment on the job. These unwanted and distracting advances are said to be women's most dangerous occupational hazard.

The Toronto Star — Family Section — May 20/78 issue published the following information on How To Lodge A Complaint about the problem noted above:

So you've decided to make a formal complaint about the office lecher.

Here is a consensus of advice from government and other officials.

First, you'd better brace yourself for what your male boss is likely to say to your complaint:

"Jack did that? I can't believe it. He's a real family man."
"Come now, a mature woman

like you should know how to handle that."

"You should be flattered. Jack doesn't take to many women..."

Ah you can't blame a guy for trying."
"Oh well, boys will be boys."

after making your complaint.

often do the trick.

action officer

proves false

they're in love

It sounds discouraging, but there are things you can do.

director of the Ontario Human Rights Commission.

If the firm doesn't solve the problem, there are outside possibilities.

the basis of sex and an officer will come to investigate.

where women ignore it, the behaviour got worse.

Women's Networking Seminar cont'd from pg.3

At today's seminar, it was proposed that women students and graduates of the St.James Campus organize in assisting one another in job search ing by creating a women's job search registry. At one time and another, all of us will be looking for employment. It is only rarely that anyone obtains a job simply by applying and by being competant. It may not even be enough to be terrific at what you do because most positions are obtained through inside information or contacts. When looking for a job, you may hear of an unadvertized position of no interest to you but perfectly suited for another female graduate of George Brown.

The proposed registry would list your name, number and the type of employment which you are or will be seeking.
Anyone hearing of available positions relevant to our graduates would simply phone in the information to the registry.
This two way service could be maintained by the Placement Office, the Women's Place or

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED, IN REGISTERING PLEASE CONTACT THE WOMEN'S PLACE IMMEDIATELY.

Sufficient response may make this proposed service a reality.

an independent staffing.

. Do not ignore it - sexual harassment won't go away. A survey showed in 75 per cent of cases

. Don't be flattered. Anyone can be harassed and most men try it as a power play, not because

If someone at work makes a play you're not interested in, tell himso firmly and politely. Put the
relationship right back on a business footing. If he persists, suggest George Brown, executive

If this message does not compute, talk about it to the other women in the office. They may

Keep a written record of the details of each incident. Try to find witnesses willing to sign a written statement.
 Keep a record of your "good work" — it may come in handy if you start experiencing repraisals

Once you've made a complaint, don't give the boss the least little excuse for firing or demoting
you. It may cross his mind if you're accused a favourite in the "Old Boys Betwork".

• Hire a lawyer - preferably a feminist - to write a letter of warning to the culprit. This can

• If you're in a union, complain to the shop steward. If the shop steward is the harasser, complain

If your company has an "affirmative action program" for women, complain to the affirmative

• If you feel you're being treated unfairly at work because of sexual demands, complain to the Ontario Human Rights Commission, 400 University Avenue, 12th Floor, 965-6841.

Although the code doesn't mention sexual harassment it does prevent unfair work conditions on

Once you've complained to the commission, it protects you from reprisal, even if your complaint

to the Ontario Federation of Labor, the Canadian Labor Congress or a similar body.

suffer the same problem and a group complaint carries more weight than one person's

#### SASA Congratulates Graduates

The SASA Club executive (Tanya Henderson, President; Roise Chensue, Treasurer; Lucy Karpa, Secretary) would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all of you who will be graduating this month. It has seemed like a long year for some students; but, there are others still wondering where the year went.

To our first year members, we wish you all the success for the coming year. Have an exciting and fun summer (if you are one of those fortunate people who don't have to work). As for the rest, have exciting and fun weekends.

It has been fun organizing contests and seminars for our members, as well as for all the students of George Brown.

We thank every student and teacher who supported our club activities during the year. A special thank you goes to Mrs. DROZD and Mrs. KENNEDY, who were the Staff Advisors for SASA, for all the help and guidance they gave throughout the year.

We wish each and every one of the secretarial students success in their future careers.

#### SASA Typing Contest

We recently had another typing contest on April 12. This time we divided it into three categories: 1st Year General, 2nd Year Secretarial, 2nd Year Word Processing and Court Reporting. This was planned to give each student a fair chance at winning.

We did not attract as many students as we had hoped, but the students who did come had fun. We wished that we could have had a winner from each category, but we only had a winner in the category of 1st Year General category.

Our winner is CARRIE RUBIN who is enrolled in the 1st Year General Secretarial Course. She had a net speed of 64 w.p.m., and has been presented with a prize of \$10.

Congratulations Carrie!
We would like to thank
everyone who came out and gave
it a try.



#### SASA ANNUAL DINNER SEMINAR

The SASA Club, held its Annual Dinner Seminar on April 16 at The Town and Country Restaurant. We all had a wonderful evening, on arrival, everyone received a lovely flower for the occasion. Being among friends and staff from George Brown, made for pleasant conversation and a lot of sipping of "the good stuff."

"the good stuff."

We were pleased Mrs.
Mitchell, Mrs. Drozd, Mrs.
Kennedy, Mrs. Wilson and Mrs.
Daigle were able to join us for the
evening.

Ms. Mitchell gave a short talk on the mixed feelings of graduating and leaving the school which has been a part of us all for a year or more. Thoughts of graduating and personal pride in having completed our respective courses has given us the courage to start new careers. I am sure we must feel a little sad to leave all our friends that we were fortunate to meet during our stay at George Brown.

Brown.

This evening was a nice way to end the year for the SASA Club members and executive. We hope that the next year's executive will have just as much fun organizing activities as we did. The Executive wishes each and every student from the Secretarial Arts Division of George Brown — good luck in their future endeavors.

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## If you've been the butt of sexual gossip you could sue civilly for defamation of character. If dismissed for refusing sexual favours and you are in a union, you could sue for breach of contract.

 Once someone lays a hand on you — or threatens to — you're able to charge them under the Canadian Criminal Code.

In some cases, legal assault can be committed by words alone if those words cause you to worry for your safety.

The main thing, says Toronto lawyer Beth Symes, is for women to realize they're not defenceless and to give each other courage and support.

#### Reprinted from:

Ontario Public Service Employees Union, October 4th, 1979 memo to employees and members on Women's Caucus Mailing List.

Congratulations from LEWIS DENTAL CERAMIC LABORATORIES

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Women and the 181



With a population of 5 million and with an area less than half of Vancouver Island, El Salvador is the smallest and most densely populated country in Central America. This tiny country is now entering a state of civil war To understand the present desperate situation, it is essential to understand the historical, economic and political factors which have brought it to this point.

#### EARLY HISTORY

Originally inhabited by the Pipiles Indians (cousins of the Aztecs) El Salvador was conquered by the Spanish in 1523. The Spanish substituted their hierarchy for that of the Pipiles, who were already organized in large estates worked by multitudes of people. During the Colonial period, the economy was based on diversified agriculture. However, beginning in the 1860's, the production of coffee for extook precedence over all else. Competition for land became intense, and Indians were forcibly ejected from their common land. Within 30 year 40 -50% of the land became converted to private property. Throughout the years, the land Throughout the years, the land has become increasingly concentrated in fewer and fewer hands. Today 2% of the population owns 60% of the land. This has resulted in the development of a tiny wealthy oligan. which holds political and economic power, and a large cheap labour pool which its exploits.

The people first rebelled against their oppressive conditions in 1932. 4,000 Salvadoreans died in the fighting during the peasant uprising. An additional 30,000 to 40,000 people were massacred by the military in a ruthless reprisal after the rebellion had been put down. This effectively crushed the rising worker and peasant movements. All unions were made illegal and remained so until 1950.

After 1932, the military consolidated a grip on the country which it has never released.

THE MODERNIZING ERA:

While remaining primarily de-pendent on coffee and other agricultural products as its economic mainstays, El Salvador began to industrialize in the 1940's. The abundant cheap labour and "stable investment climate" attracted foreign investors, particularly from the U.S. within the ruling Salvadorean elite, an entrepreneurial class emerged to profit along with the traditional coffee-based landholders.

However, economic development did not improve the lot of the vast majority of Salvadoreans. In the country-side, the number of landless peasants more than doubled during the 1960's. As a result, migrants swelled the cities, living in slums with no basic services, and little hope of employment. Those who did have jobs were grossly underpaid: the average wage in the manufacturing sectors in 1973 was \$1.64 per day. In 1975, a family of six (average family size) needed \$704 per year to cover basic necessities, 80% of the population earned less.

#### POLITICAL PROCESS IN EL SALVADOR:

49 years of military rule have been punctuated by a series of charades called "elections" in which the hand-picked successor of the out-going president was presented to the people. From 1931 to 1961 there was a series of these "elected" military governments, overthrown by military juntas, replaced by yet an-other military government. These changes represented struggles between the industrialist modernizers and the traditional land-The industrialists owners. pushed for mild agrarian and social reforms to defuse growing popular unrest, and to create an internal market for industrial goods. However, such attempts were consistently rejected by the traditional elite. Nothing changed for the impoverished masses. In the 1960's, under the in-

fluence of the U.S., the government opened the way for the first truly contested elections since 1931. By 1972, a strong opposition party (UNO) had formed which clearly had mas-sive popular support. Faced with this threat, the governing regime doctored the results, giving the victory to their candidate. Described by a British Parliamentary delegation as a "massive fraud", the elections of 1972 marked a turning point for many Salvadoreans. It became apparent that the wealthy ruling elite were not prepared to relinquish their privilege peacefully

Faced with the impossibility of electoral change, the people be-gan to join together in mass organizations. These mass organizations are coalitions of groups such as peasant and worker unions, student groups and slum dwellers. They initiated non-violent campaigns to demand land reform, increased wages, improved health care and housing.

Threatened by the growing strength of these groups, the ruling elite unleashed a campaign of violence against the people. In addition to the armed forces, the regime financed and directed right-wing death squads, who terrorized the population. Particular targets of repression were peasant and urban trade union leaders, and Catholic priests. Hundreds of people were mur-dered, or "disappeared". Torture was widely used. As a result, the Romero regime (1977-79) was widely condemned by the international community (including the U.S. State Department) for its flagrant violation of

#### human rights RESPONSE OF THE REGIME:

Threatened by the growing strength of these groups, the ruling elite under the Romero regime (1977-1979) launched unprecedented violence against the populace. To complement the armed forces, the oligarchy had financed and directed righparamilitary groups:

ORDEN, a network of spies, informers, and enforcers; the White Warriors Union; and These death squads others. roamed the country, terrorizing the population.

Particular targets of repression were peasant and urban trade union leaders, and Catholic priests whom the regime saw as instrumental in organizing the people to demand their basic rights. Hundreds of people were murdered, or "disappeared". Prisioners were tortured. The Romero regime was condemned by the International community (including the U.S. State De-partment) for its flagrant violations of human rights.

In spite of its repression, the people resisted. Armed guerilla groups had been forming since 1970: the Popular Liberation Forces - Farabundo Marti (FPL); 1971 the People's Revolutionary Army (ERP); 1975 the Armed Forces of National Resistance (FARN). They increased in strength and action as the only deterrent to state-sanctioned violence against the people. The mass organizations grew to enormous size and became increasingly militant.

With the country on the brink of revolution, younger reformminded military officers overthrew Romero and put in place a military-civilian junta which promised sweeping reforms. The U.S. supported junta failed to fulfill its promises and the situa-tion in El Salvador grew progressively worse. The death toll in the first two weeks of the junta's rule exceeded the rate of deaths for the first 9 months of the year under Romero. Rightwing elements regained control, and the repression increased. By January 1980, all civilian members of the junta and most cabinet ministers had resigned, blaming the military for the Government's failure "to achieve closer ties with popular movements whose existence and importance can no longer be ignored"



THE U.S. CONTINUES TO SUPPORT JUNTA:

After the disintegration of the October government, the U.S. and the military found new civilian partners in the Christian Democratic Party. However, by early March most of them had resigned: "The Christian Democratic Party should not participate in a regime which has unleashed the bloodiest repression ever experienced by the Salvadorean people". - statement of the Popular Tendency of the Party, upon its resignation.

A few right-wing Christian Democrats remain, but the junta has no popular support. A much-touted land reform program has only given the armed forces further opportunities to establish bases in the countryside and to continue murdering peasant leaders.

Archbishop Romero, a former conservative, became an out-

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The country of El Salvador is being torn apart by violence. Nearly 10,000 people have been killed in the last year, many in an especially horrifying manner. Mutilation often precedes the actual killing, and the majority of the victims have been men, women and children who were killed for no apparent reason. Such violence must be condemned.

The recent murders of six opposition leaders and four North American mis-

The recent murders of six opposition leaders and four North American missionaries have focused much attention on El Salvador. While it is sad that many in the U.S. needed to be faced with the murders of four from our own county before your first station, reade needle by the property of the station of the control of the slaughter occurring in El Salvador, made possible by various kinds of support from our government, we are glad that the U.S. has finally suspended at least part of that aid. We are especially hopeful because religious leaders in this country have spoken out strongly against U.S. involvement. Catholic bishops in the country have spoken out strongly against U.S. involvement. Catholic bishops in the before the deaths of the four missionaries, and we hope that leaders and members of all faiths will continue to voice their outrage at these violent occurrences. Such actions are vital at this time, to save lives, especially as the media in this country continues to avoid or distort the truth about what is happening in El Salvador. Simplistic terms such as "the centrist government" the left" and "the right" only obscure and distort the harsh reality in El Salvador today. The Archdiocesan office of peace to that at least 80% of the killings ince det that at least 80% of the killings ince contents out by paramilitary groups in cooperation with, or under the propossible by various kinds of support been carried out by paramilitary groups in cooperation with, or under the pro-tection of, the so-called centrist gov-ernment which the U.S. has been sup-

porting. We urge you to seek the truth about El Salvador, to question simplistic analyses of events there, and to continue to challenge any support by our own government of the terrible repression. One good source of reliable information is the Religious Task Force; 1474 Connecticut Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20009.

-Peggy Scheres

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cen critic of the regime and porter of the people's move-it. In February, he wrote a er to President Carter iming him to halt the flow of s to the junta. On March brutally assassinated by

t-wing forces. netheless, the U.S. continues hore up the regime with omic and military aid. Miliaid alone is projected at 7 million for FY 1980-81. total financial assistance ected to reach \$55 million. pression continues on an ming scale. The junta has no ılar support. A much-touted reform programme has only n the armed forces further ortunities to establish bases ne countryside and to conmurdering peasant leaders. U.S. continues to support regime with military and

e people are, however, united

as never before. The mass or-ganizations have joined together in the Revolutionary Co-ordination Committee of the Masses (CRM), and have joined with progressive political parties, the National Federation of Small Businessmen, and numerous other groups to form the Revo-lutionary Democratic Front lutionary Democratic Front (FDR). This front represents the majority of the people of El Salvador and is pledged to form a popular and democratic government committed to basic structural changes in society.

The armed guerilla groups have also united, under the Farabundo Marti Front for National Liberation (FMLN), and the revolution has a unified political and military command. Considerable areas in the north and north-west are controlled by the FMLN, and training of militants continues in preparation for the next round of the struggle.

The war in El Salvador is taking an increasing toll in human lives. Already this year more than 9,000 people have been killed and the death count increases daily. The military and right-wing forces continue to perpetrate atrocities on the people, brutally murdering unarmed men, women, and children. Thousands of people are fleeing the country in desperation, facing incredible hardships.

The REVOLUTIONARY DE-MOCRATIC FRONT (FDR), as the legitimate voice of the Salvadorean people, is now appealing for international support. Only through international condemnation of the military junta, and recognition of the FDR as the new government of El Salvador, can this bloodbath stopped. Your action is critical to save lives and to speed the process of justice and democracry in El Salvador.



## TERTAINMENT.....

TRIPLE ACTION THEATRE GROUP

by Bohdan Montasweych



Triple Action Theatre (TAT) Group is a unique experimental theatre company. TAT originated in Britain in 1969, the founder and artistic director is Steven Rumblelow. Age age 31, Rumbelow is the recipient of 18 international awards for his work in theatre and film, an honorary Ph.D., he is the subject of over 30 University theses and four books. Originally Rumblelow was a painter and sculptor.

As the name Tripple Action implies, the group is not only involved in theatrical productions but also produce films and conduct workshops and lectures

The TAT group is back in Toronto to perform their critically acclaimd "Ulysses" and later in the month première their new

production, "Curriculum Vitae."
In March of 1982, TAT will perform "Ulysses" for the last time, then Triple Action's theatrical scenery, props and possessions will be taken into the California desert, and cere-moniously burnt. This will be a symbol of erasing the past going empty handed. TAT will then travel through Mexico and Central America and Peru. The search will then begin for an artistic essence, going back to basics, which then can be fed back into our own culture. The theatre group will be coming into contact with Aztec, Mayan and Inca cultures. An effort will be made to co-habit with the Indians to gain their trust. The company then wants to learn first hand the inhabitant's music, dances, theatre and ancient arts. The trip will end in Peru where the group will then retreat into the mountains to work on a theatre production based on experiences and skills acquired on the expeditions.

You will have a chance to see the TAT group in action (before they burn their props) in "Ulysses" described by Ray Conlogue in the Globe and Mail "as an inspiring jolt for Underground Theatre." Director, Steven Rumblelow's "Ulysses" will lead you into a world of Joyce which according to Rumblelow is "a journey into the mind and a mode of thought which is at one time both sensitive and obscene, gentle and horrific, alert and slow-witted." "Ulysses" playing at Actor's Lab Theatre, 366 Adelaide E. at Sherbourne (363-2853), May 12th to 23rd, Student tickets \$5.00.

Later this month, May 26th to June 5th, also at the Actor's Lab Theatre, the Triple Action Theatre Group will premiere their new production "Curriculum Vitae," inspired by Solaris — Stanislaw Lem's novel.

The play shows us the futility of accumulating education, (should be a hit with students) the futility of the actor, the sacred mystery of knowledge, the vulnerability of humanity in the struggle for understanding, the gross, blind destructiveness bureaucracies depersonalized beyond comprehension and the electrifying power of faith. That's right folks, you get all this for 5 bucks and what more could you ask for.

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GBFM is George Brown College's radio station serving the St. James Campus through a closed-circuit network. It is operated and managed entirely by the students of George Brown College, with most of the funding supplied by the Student Council

GBFM is in its second full year of broadcasting with tremendous enthusiasim and initiative. All of the 25 members have a strong ambition to continue to implement the station's policy of ting as a go-between for the students and S.A.C. The atmosphere is casual and relaxed, creating a comfortable, "We're here for a good time — not a long time", attitude amongst the D.J.'s and technical staff of the station. As a unit, many changes have been made and many will continue to occur as the radio station improves upon the quality of its' service.

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- 3)To provide the students involved in GBFM with a valuable learning experience.
- 4) To supply manpower and equipment for special events on
- 5) To develop a sound business structure allowing effective management and continuity of
- 6. To expand service and coverage as time and money allows.

The collection of music is continually expanding with promotional albums from the record distributors. Plans are in the works for the purchase of many albums to supplement the existing collection. All of the records have been listed and are now under computer inventory control. GBFM, by keeping in close contact with the Student Council, is continually informed of all S.A.C. events within the of all S.A.C. events within the college. Technically, the equipment is regularly upgraded, resulting in a cleaner, better quality sound throughout the college.

Naturally, any young radio station isn't without its' rough edges. GBFM realizes its' operation could use some improvement and it is hoping, that with both time and cooperation from students and staff, that it will evolve into a professional entity. Any constructive criticisms concerning GBFM may be submitted to the management of the station located at the northwest corner of the Atrium on the third floor, or the Student Council office, room 124.

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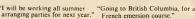




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"Going to Jamaica."

"Spending the summer up north.

"Going to work and study French "I will be working all summer arranging parties for next year."

#### Marketing Students in New Orleans

And here are next year's Marketing executives. They are, from left to right,



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A delegation of ten from George Borwn College recently returned to Toronto after attending the American Marketing Association Collegiate Convention in New Orleans.

The nine students and one faculty member were honoured at the Conference's opening session as being the delegation which travelled the furthest to attend the third annual Convention.

George Brown's representatives attended a series of sessions designed to improve chapter activities and also found time to visit some of New Orleans's more

interesting sights including Bourbon Street, The Superdome and Fat City.

Over 700 people attended the two day conference, with most from the United States, although there were other groups from Canada, and one from Mexico. The Torontonians were unanimous in saying the trip was well worth the long flight.

Returning students were already looking forward to giving George Brown strong representation at next year's convention in Lexington Kentucky.

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